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1. THERE FOLLOW EXTRACTS PERTAINING TO THE KURSK PROJECT FROM REMARKS BY FRG ECONOMICS MINISTER FRIDERICH'S AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR COUNCIL OF MINISTERS WLADIMIR N. NOWIKOW AT THE FORMAL OPENING MARCH 23 OF THE USSR TRADE AND INDUSTRY EXHIBITION AT DUESSELDORF:

2. FRIDERICH'S: QUOTE: THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WELCOMES PLANS BY LARGE GERMAN STEEL FIRMS TO BUILD A GIGANTIC STEEL MILL NEAR KURSK IN WICH SOVIET NATURAL GAS WILL BE USED TO REFINER IRON, PART OF WHICH WILL THEN BE DELIVERED TO THE FRG. END QUOTE.

3. NOWIKOW: QUOTE: I AM HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO TELL YOU THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STEEL MILL COMPLEX EMPLOYING THE PROCESS OF DIRECT REDUTION OF IRON ON UNCLASSIFIED

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THE BASIS OF THE IRON ORE DEPOSITS AT KURSK, IN WHICH FIRMS

FROM THE FRG WILL TAKE PART, HAVE BEEN CONCLUDED WITH THE  
SIGNING OF THE GENERAL CONTRACT ON MARCH 21. THIS IS A  
VERY LARGE PROJECT WHICH WE HOPE WILL PROVIDE BOTH SIDES  
ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE IN OUR COOPERATION. END QUOTE.HENNEMEYER

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